

PUCTURED ENDORSEMENTS ON THE SURFACE-PRINTED ISSUES

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Whereas the number of dies on the Line-Engraved issues is abundant, those on the surface printed are comparatively few. This is largely because of the higher values involved for which there was less postal requirement. The surface- printed punctures were used mainly for the transmission of sums of money of a small amount through the post (hence the existance of quite a number of mint examples which were probably overlooked and not cashed); or on mail posted to overseas destinations; or on letters registered and/or expressed.

It will almost invariably be found that the highest values, 2/- upwards, were used by bankers. The most prolific of these is the Hong Kong & Shanghai Bank (H S B) who undoubtedly required these for large packets of documents etc., transmitted to the Far East. Another user quite frequently found is Charles J. Hambro and Sons (C.I.H/S) the London bankers.

Quite a lot of the surface printed punctures are found with Foreign Branch cancellations and also with Newspaper Branch obliterations. Further testimony that many of these stamps were used in the publishing and printing trade (usually below the 1/- value) is to be found in the fact that so many stamps bear the private cancellations of, Smith, Elder & Co., (subsequently H.S. King & Co.,), W.H. Smith & Son, and William Dawson & Son. The stamps bearing these obliterations usually also have the punctured initials of the firms using them.

Many firms who used line-engraved punctures quite extravagantly are completely missing in the lists of surface-printed, showing that their business did not necessitate the use of higher values in sufficient quantities to require puncture protection. On the other hand some firms are found to have used punctured surface printed whose dies have not been found on line-engraved.

The lists on the following pages are compiled from stamps in my own collection plus some reported by Mr. Rymer-Young and others. The list must be far from complete as many members have not sent lists of their own examples, but I shall still be happy to receive additions and corrections for future revision.

This present listing comprises over 250 different dies.

ISSUES OF 1865-7

Values	3d				4d				6d		9d		10d		1/-	
Plates	4	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	5	6	4	5	1	4	
C.D./&Co.						*										
GLYN							*	*			*					
H/C&Co								*								
HUTH								*								
L.N./&Co								*								
M&S									*							
R/F&Co							*									
SM/&Co							*	*	*							

ISSUES OF 1867-80

Values	3d Rose						6d	9d	10d	1/-	grn	Blue	² /	Brown						
Plates	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	8	9	10	4	1	2	4	5	6	7	1	3	1
B.E.Co			*																*	
B.Brs																			*	
B.S./&Co																			*	
C&B/SOHO (10½mm.)			*		*														*	
C/B.R.P						*														
C.D./&Co			*	*	*															
C.I.H./&S		*						*												
COX											*									
D/C&Co																			*	
D.M./&S																			*	
D&S												*							*	
E.A.L												*							*	
G.B.L/L.							*												*	
GLYN																				
G W R (10,13,11)			*																	
H/C&Co					*															
H.S.B						*													*	
HUTH							*												*	
IHS/&Co								*											*	
J.S									*										*	
J.T/M									*											
M.B/M	*								*											
N&P					*															
R&Co						*														
SDB/S/M		*	*	*							*									
SM/&Co			*					*												
S.M./&Co			*					*												
T&Co						*														
T.W.S/&Co																				

ISSUES OF 1867-1883

	Watermark Maltese Cross				Watermark Anchor Blued Paper				Watermark Anchor White Paper			
	Values	5/-	10/-	£1	5/-	10/-	£1	£5	5/-	10/-	£1	£5
Plates	1	2	1	1	4	1	1	1	4	1	1	1
B&L/H	*											
C.L/L									*			
EU'P'N MAIL	*								*			
HB & Coy									*			
H.S.B	*	*			*	*	*			*		
L/C&S		*								*		
R.B (Large)		*								*		

ISSUES OF 1872-1873

Value	6d Chestnut		6d Grey
Plates	11	12	12
C&B/SOHO		*	
D/C&Co	*		
GLYN	*		*
H/C&Co	*		
HUTH	*		*
H.W/C			*
T&Co	*		

ISSUES OF 1875-6

Value	2½d mauve. Watermark Anchor Blued Paper			White Paper		
Plates	1	2	3	1	2	3
B/C&Co					*	
C.A.E.S					*	
C.I.H/&S				*	*	
C.P/&C						*
D.B (Small)					*	
F.E.G					*	
GLYN				*	*	
H/C&Co	*				*	
H&S/K					*	
I.H.S/&Co						*
KJ/&Co				*		
R McA/&Co				*		
S.F/&Co						*
S.S/&Co					*	
WA/G				*	*	

ISSUES OF 1873-80 2½d Watermark Orb

Plates	Mauve												Blue						
	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	17	18	19	20
A/B&Co														*					
A&BS		*																	
AFC/&Co	*																		
HB/&Co																			*
A.L./&Co																			
A&N/C.S.L																			
B&C/M																			
BEAVIS				*	*														
B&L																			
BRYCE																			
B&S (Amp.11)	*																		
B&S (Amp.111)				*															
B&T	*																		
B/W&Co (Amp.111)								*											
B.W.B																			
C.A.E.S																*			
CC																			
C  C																			
C.D./&Co							*												
C.E.P																			
C.I.H./&S	*	*	*	*	*			*											
CORY/C						*													
COX																			
CS/L/SA																			
D.B. (11,15 small)																			
D.B. (12,15)																			
D/C&Co		*																	
D&F																			
D&S																			
E																			
EE																			
ELW																			
F.E.G																			
F.M.A./Co																			
F.P/C.L	*																		
G&Co																			
G.B.L/L	*																		
G&D																			
G.E.R																			
GLYN																			
G.M./&Co								*											
G.S./&Co																			
G.W.L																			
HB (H=11)				*			*			*									
H/C&Co																			
H.M./&S																			
HN&S																			

G.W.R

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ISSUES OF 1873-80 2½d Watermark Orb (Cont.)

Plates	Mauve														Blue				
	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	17	18	19	20
H&P	*					*											*		
H.R./&Co																		*	*
H.S.B			*															*	*
H&S/K																			*
HTG																			*
HUTH				*	*	*			*	*									
I.B.H.L		*																	
I.H.S./&Co																			
JAFFE																			
J&S																			
J.T.M		*																	
JWD/S																			
KEEN/&Co																	*		
L&B																			
L&C/D																			
L.H/L					*														
L&S/66																			
MAPLE								*											
M/Bros																			
M&S																			
MS&Co																			
McI																			
N.B																			
N&Co		*				*													
N&P		*																	
P&C/B																			
P.S/N.C				*															
R.B (Large)					*														
R de C/&Co						*													
(R=12)																			
R/F&Co						*													
R.J.Co																			
R&S/M																			
R&W																			
S.F./&Co																			
SM/&Co.																			*
SR&Co																			
S.S./&Co	*	*																	
STOTT/&Co			*																
SP&Co				*															
T&Co					*														
T.W.F./&Co						*													
T.W.S./&Co							*												
U.M/ICo								*											
W.B/SCo						*													

ISSUES OF 1873-80 Watermark Spray

Plates	3d Rose										6d Grey				
	11	12	14	15	16	17	18	19	20		13	14	15	16	17
ADAM							*								*
A.L./&Co							*								
A&N/C.S.L							*								
B/Brs							*								
S.B./&Co							*								
B..B./&Co							*								
BEAVIS						*	*								
B&L/H						*	*								
B&T						*	*								
B/W&Co. (Amp.1)						*	*								
C&Co.						*	*								
C.L.C						*	*								
C/D&Co				*		*	*								
C.D./&Co				*		*	*								
C.I.H./&S				*		*	*								
CS/L/SA (Wide die)				*		*	*								
C.T.S./&Co				*		*	*								
DB				*		*	*								
D.B (11,15 Small)				*		*	*								
D.B (11,15 Large)				*		*	*								
D&S				*		*	*								*
E&E				*		*	*								*
E.L./&Co				*		*	*								*
F.P/C.L				*		*	*								*
F.P.W				*		*	*								*
G.B.L/L				*		*	*								*
GL&Co				*		*	*								*
GLYN				*		*	*								*
G.S.S/CoLD				*		*	*								*
H.A./&Co				*		*	*								*
H/C&Co				*		*	*								
H.H./&Co				*		*	*								
H.R./&Co				*		*	*								
H.S.K./&Co				*		*	*								
HUTH				*		*	*								*
H.W/C				*		*	*								*
I.C./&Co/B				*		*	*								*
I.H.S./&Co				*		*	*								
I&R/M (M=15)				*		*	*								*
J&S				*		*	*								
MBW				*		*	*								*
McI				*		*	*								*
MS&Co				*		*	*								
P.J/H.T				*		*	*								
R.T.C				*		*	*								
9/RvG				*		*	*								
S/CLC/S				*		*	*								
S.F./&Co				*		*	*								

ISSUES OF 1873-80 Watermark Spray (Cont.)

Plates	3d Rose										6d Grey				
	11	12	14	15	16	17	18	19	20		13	14	15	16	17
SM/&Co	*					*		*					*		*
S.M.S./&T													*		
S.P./&Co													*		
S.S															
S.S./&Co													*		
T&Co															
T.W.S./&Co	*					*									
V.S./&Co															
WA/&G															
W.B./SCo					*										
R&Co													*		

Plates	1/- Green								1/- Brown		
	8	9	10	11	12	13	14		13		
B&L/L											
B.S./&Co	*	*			*						
C.I.H./&S											
D.B (11,15)											*
D&S											
D/S/S											
F.B./&Co											
H/C&Co											
H.N.S											
H.R./&Co			*								
H.S.K./&Co				*							
HUTH					*						
M&S					*						
RB (Large)					*						
S.L./&Co											
S.P.G											
T	*										

Garter

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1873-80 Watermark Garter

Plates	4d		BROWN		8d	
	RED 15	GREEN 15 16		17		ORANGE 1
AN/J/SL						
B.W.H						
C&Co..		*				
C&B/SOHO	*					
D.M./&S				*		
D&S	*			*		
G.B.L/L				*		

ISSUES OF 1873-80 Watermark Garter (Cont.)

Plates	RED 15	4d		BROWN 17	8d ORANGE 1
		GREEN 15	16		
GLYN			*		
H.D./&Co			*		*
H&G (H=12)			*		
H.S.K./&Co				*	
IRVING			*		
L&S/66					*
N&Co		*			
O&Co					*
P.J/N.T			*		
P.W.B		*			*
R&S/M		*			
S.F./&Co			*		
S.M./&Co				*	

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ISSUES OF 1880-83 Watermark Imperial Crown

Plates	2½d Blue 21 22 23			3d Rose 20 21	3d/3d Lilac 21	4d Brown 17 18	6d Grey 17 18	6d/6d Lilac 18	1/- Or'ge-Brn 13 14		
	21	22	23	20	21	21	17	18	18	13	14
A&Co/Ld											*
A.A./Co											
AE		*				*					
AN/J/SL											
B.B							*				
AB/&Co				*							
BB/CF									*		
B&C/M		*									
B&L/H		*									
C.L/L									*	*	*
de J/&Co		*									*
DL/&Co											
D.M./&S							*				
D.N./&Co				*				*			
E.A.L				*				*			
FB/&Co			*								
F.P.C.L					*						
F.P.W				*							
F.W.H./&Co			*								
G.B.L/L					*						
GLYN						*					
G.W.R						*					
H&Co/2.C.S											*
HBS/Co									*		
HC/&Co											
H.N.S		*									*

ISSUES OF 1880-83 Watermark Imperial Crown (Cont.)

Plates	2½d Blue 21 22 23	3d Rose 20 21	3d/3d Lilac 21	4d Brown 17 18	6d Grey 17 18	6d/6d Lilac 18	1/- Or'ge-Brn 13 14
H.R./&Co	*		*				
H.W./&Co			*				
J.C./&Co	*					*	
JS./&S					*		
JWB				*	*		
K	*		*	*	*		*
MAW						*	
Mr/STREETER			*				
N&P			*				
O&Co				*			
PB./&Co	*			*			
P.J./N.T			*				
R.B. (Large)							*
R.E./&Co							
R.F./&Co							
R&S/M							
SDB./&S/M							
S&F				*			
SM./&Co			*				
S&/McD			*				*
S.P.G			*				
SPS		*	*				
S&S (S=11)					*		
S.S./&Co	*	*					
ST./&B (T=7)			*				*
T&Co.	*		*				
T.W.S./&Co.		*					
UnCo				*			
VS./&Co					*		
W&C							
W/GC/L	*	*					
W.M./&Co				*			
WMp./&Co				*			
W.W./U.P				*			

RB / & Co?